MASTER CORE COURSES
DPEM 6113 - Theory Development in DPEM
DPEM 6153 - Crisis Communications in DPEM
DPEM 6123 - Research Design and Methodologies in DPEM
DPEM 6143 - Global Perspectives in DPEM
DPEM 6133 - Ethics and Legal in DPEM
DPEM 6103 - Health Care Issues and Policies related to DPEM

EMPHASIS COURSES IN DPEMM
SELECT 3 HOURS
DPEM 5513 - Incident Command System (ICS) Instructor Course
DPEM 5523 - Law Enforcement Protection Instructor Course
DPEM 5533 - All Hazards Awareness Instructor Course
DPEM 5543 - Teaching Emergency Response
DPEM 5613 - Radiological Emergencies
DPEM 6163 - Managing Incidents in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
DPEM 6213 - Informatics in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
DPEM 6223 - Epidemiology of Disasters
DPEM 6253 - Multi-Agency Response in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
DPEM 6263 - Geographical Information Systems in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
DPEM 6273 - Vulnerable Populations in Disasters
DPEM 6313 - Seminar Topics in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
DPEM 6543 - Pandemic Planning
DPEM 6553 - Leading Hospital Response to Mass Casualties Instructor Course
DPEM 6563 - Leading Hospital Response to Mass Casualties Instructor Course
DPEM 6573 - Complex Radiological Emergencies

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The Master of Science degree in disaster preparedness and emergency management is an interdisciplinary program that prepares professionals to effectively meet the demands of disaster preparedness, mitigation, planning, response and recovery. The program requires 36 hours of graduate level courses.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Students interested in pursuing a Master of Science in DPEM must have a Bachelor’s degree in any discipline. Applicants must meet the basic admission requirements of the Graduate School. Prospective students should apply online, pay the required application fee, and submit an official transcript of all of their undergraduate and graduate course work to the Graduate School. Applicants must schedule a personal interview with a MS DPEM advisor. Venues for the interview include face-to-face, telephone, or electronic. During this interview, the adviser will outline in detail the requirements of the MS program. The adviser and the student will analyze the appropriateness of the degree given the student’s goals and career objectives, the degree’s requirements along with the student’s academic progress to date. Admission to this degree program is conditioned upon completion of prerequisite course(s) required and acceptance by clinical agencies for practicum experiences.

**MASTER PRE-REQUISITES**

Bachelor’s degree in any discipline  
ICS – 100 (comparable to associated country)  
ICS – 200 (comparable to associated country)  
ICS – 700 (comparable to associated country)  
ICS – 800 (comparable to associated country)  
CDLS (Core Disaster Life Support)  
BDLS (Basic Disaster Life Support)  
Health Care Provider CPR Card

**MASTER CURRICULUM**

The program consists of 36 Credit Hours that includes six Core Courses, three Emphasis Courses, a Practicum Experience, and a Final Project. The six Core Courses are each worth three credit hours (18 total) and the three Emphasis Courses are each worth three credit hours (9 total).

The Practicum Experience is worth three credit hours and students can choose between a Seminar Topics Course or a 60 hour practicum at an approved site. The Final Project is worth six credit hours to be taken in two separate three hour terms. Students may choose between completing a Research Project, a Thesis, or a 240 hour internship at an approved site.

**FALL COURSES**

DPEM 6153 - Crisis Communications  
DPEM 6113 - Theory Development in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management  
EMPHASIS Course  
EMPHASIS Course, Practicum or Final Project

**SPRING COURSES**

DPEM 6123 - Research Design and Methodology in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management  
DPEM 6143 - Global Perspectives  
EMPHASIS Course  
EMPHASIS Course, Practicum or Final Project

**SUMMER COURSES**

DPEM 6103 - Health Care Issues and Policies related to DPEM  
DPEM 6133 - Ethics and Legal Considerations in DPEM  
EMPHASIS Course  
Practicum Course or Final Project

**PRACTICUM COURSES IN DPEM**  
(Select 3 hours/offered every term as needed.)

DPEM 661V Seminar Topics in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (1-3 credit hours)  
DPEM 6631 Disaster Preparedness and/or Emergency Management Conference Presentation (1 credit hour)  
DPEM 6643 Practicum Experience——3 credit hours/60 contact hours

**FINAL PROJECT IN DPEM**  
(Select one of the following/offered every term as needed.)

DPEM 665V - Internship (6 Credit Hours) (240 Contact Hours)  
DPEM 667V - Research (6 Credit Hours)  
DPEM 668V - Thesis (6 Credit Hours)

Note: At least one EMPHASIS course will be offered each 7 weeks. If desired course is not offered when registering student should contact DPEM office to determine when this particular course will be offered.

**COMMITTED**

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